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18th century map of Sicily, with an inset of Malta

SEUTTER, Matthäus.

Mappa Geographica totius Insulae et Regni Siciliae.

Augsburg: Tobias Conrad Lotter, c.1730. Original colour. 500 x 585mm.

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Map of Sicily, divided into three 'vals' (administrative districts), and with Mt. Etna in full eruption. The decorative title cartouche features Ceres or Abundance, Bacchus, and Neptune accepting the bounty of the seas. At the lower left corner is an inset map of Malta and Gozo, and on the lower right, a key in French and Latin to the political, military and topographic features of Sicily. Originally issued by Seutter c.1720; this example was published by his son-in-law, who inherited half the copperplates of the Seutter firm in 1758 and set up his own business.

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